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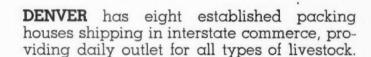
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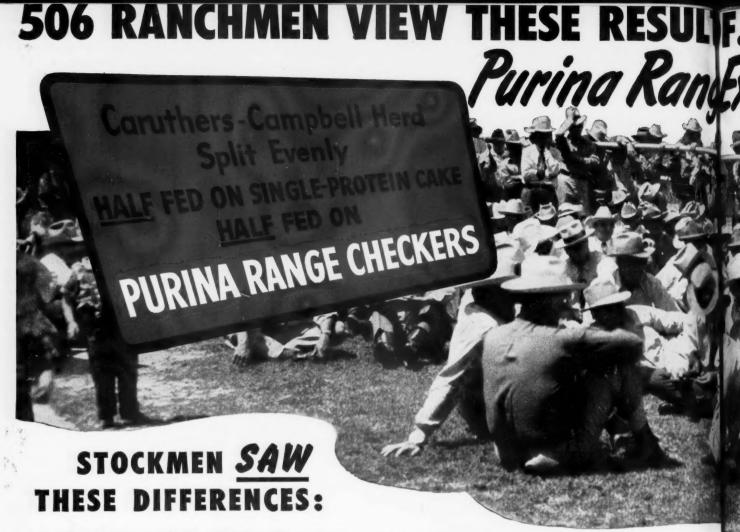
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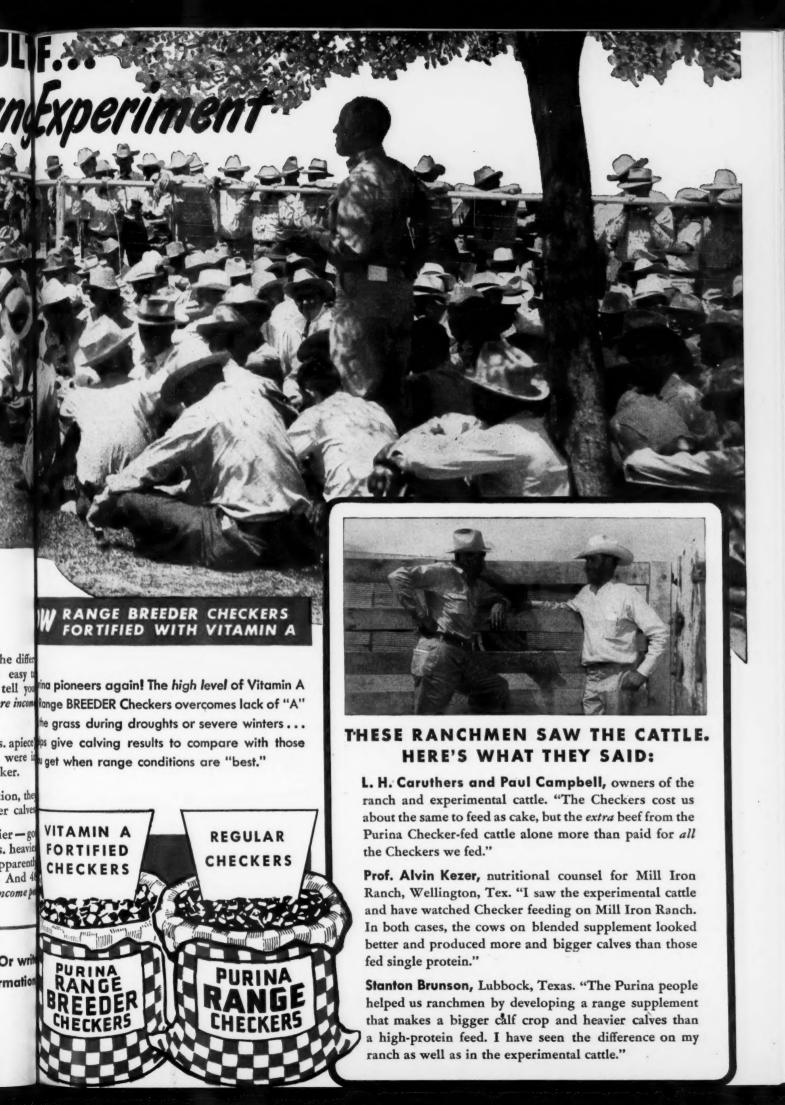
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GOOD IN SPOTS-This part of the country has been receiving some fine Apparently they have been spotted, though, because some of our neighbors say they have not had enough to run water on their ranges.-Mrs. Betty Wells, secretary, Junior American National Livestock Association, Chino Valley, Ariz.

WEATHERMAN PLEASE NOTE-Driest summer since 1934. Very short hav crop and no range feed at all. While cattle are not in what would be called poor condition, they are not nearly so good as a year ago. Here's hoping for a mild winter.—J. C. Tugman, Laramie County, Wyo.

STAYING IN-Have no cattle but keep my membership. Wish you all success in 1948. - Lester Robison, Walla Walla County, Wash.

APPRECIATED - Enclose dues, I don't owe quite this much but it's going to a good cause.—Kenneth Holliman, Catron County, N. M.

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The Barrett Committee Report

IN ANOTHER PART of this issue we have quoted a number of paragraphs from the Barrett committee report on the public land investigations held last fall in the West.

There was a great deal of criticism leveled at the committee while it was holding its hearings. Some said it was simply on a witch hunt in which the Forest Service was the poor victim. They objected that so many witnesses should have come to the hearings to criticize Forest Service policies.

But the report, frankly critical of the Forest Service as it is, is a deserved rebuke to those critics. There is in it no attempt to discredit the Forest Service. It refers to the public land pattern of the country and retraces the testimony given by the thousands of permittees. It makes these constructive recommendations (the report was signed by 22 congressmen):

1. That the law be amended to provide that grazing, recreation and wildlife be made basic uses of the forest lands. These are accepted uses of the land and surely there can be no objection to saying so in the law.

2. That advisory boards be given legal status. Even the Forest Service has approved such a recommendation.

3. That transfer cuts be discontinued. There certainly is no good reason why cuts should not be confined to those necessary for protection of the range.

4. That the Forest Service undertake a program of range improvement. This recommendation is one of the high points

in the report. The Forest Service promises on the one hand not to put livestock off the forests and on the other hand does next to nothing to make it possible to continue grazing on allotments where there is admitted localized overuse. The Forest Service surely must know that such overgrazing can continue even if most of the cattle are taken off the allotment but it only substitutes cuts for water development, reseeding, fencing and rodent and weed control.

5. That the permittees should be allowed to participate in range improvement programs. Here the Forest Service probably objects that improvements might give the permittee a toehold on the government's title to the land, but, even so,

surely a way can be found to keep title intact.

These recommendations point to stability for the users of the grazing lands on the forests. That should be the aim of the Forest Service as well as the permittee, for stability would mean less friction between permittee and the Forest Service and full cooperation in conservation of the range. The Forest Service should also favor the recommendation calling for better management, for that means fuller use of the grass crop and better nutrition for the nation.

The Barrett report is a good one; it could serve as a base upon which to develop a constructive working relationship, offering a positive approach to some of the troubles that

have beset the permittees in the past.

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A PERIODICAL circulated among employees of the Department of Agriculture recently named as the recipient of an award in the form of a pay increase for superior achievement Daniel E. Gibson, district forester ranger "for exercising unusual foresight and initiative in the re-analysis on range survey data, which led to the adoption of a plan to remove 19,700 sheep from the Hahns Peak Ranger District by the season of 1949."

This is the kind of incident that makes stockmen skeptical. It is noticed that the emphasis is on the removal of almost 20,000 sheep and not on the protection of the range, which it is presumed would be the reason given for the removal. The trouble is that the Forest Service has only its own estimate to go by with respect to use by domestic livestock of the grass on the ranges, and the Forest Service seems to have adopted the policy that grass is not a crop to be used as such.

Numerous reduction orders cutting the heart out of permits, often where the range was on the upgrade, have led many to believe that in spite of statements to the contrary, it would be a happy day for the Forest Service when it sees the last of the cattle going down the road.

Stockmen have long contended that in disputed cases the Forest Service should not be the sole judge of the grazing capacity of a range but that an independent, disinterested survey should decide whether the range is overstocked or is improving or deteriorating. Cer-

tainly the Forest Service men themselves do not always agree as to the amount of use that should be made of a given range (the removal in this instance was based on a "re-appraisal"), but the unfortunate part is that apparently the ranger who can bring about the largest reduction in use is the man to be most praised.

More Than a Business

"A NIMAL AGRICULTURE" is the term used by Dr. Karl D. Butler to describe his method of building the soil and the people of the nation. At a recent meeting of the American Institute of Co-operation, set up primarily to get across to the public the story of agriculture, Dr. Butler, president, said that to feed this country better and at the same time build the soil, there must be greater production of animals. "A strong, long-time animal agricultural program would build them both."

For good health, people need meat, milk and other animal products. For good soil, "the very basis of soil improvement is proper balance between cropped land and grazing grassland... As we upgrade our diet with added animal products, farmers will increase their herds and grassland—actions which if properly balanced automatically build the soil."

These few remarks picture the livestock industry in its true light: (1) an industry that keeps us off the directgrain diet that robs soil of its fertility as in India and China, and (2) an industry that stands between the people and the harvest as assurance against the precarious life of those who must depend directly and solely on cereal food.

The Buyers' Strike

THE "meat boycott" with which house-wives hope to bring down the price of meat by taking it off their tables for a week is apparently not working out as planned. Some price declines have been noted in the press but there have also been reports of rises in the midst of the crusade. Evidently many of the substitutes for red meat such as poultry, fish, etc., are high enough also in price to afford little saving even if they did "wear" well. It isn't only meat that is high priced.

One thing we don't like about the complaints about high prices is that they dwell only on the most expensive choice cuts and the sensational peak-price loads of cattle sold in the markets recently. The other cuts give another side of the picture.

More attention to those cuts could benefit everyone concerned. It would mean putting out the little extra effort required to prepare properly the cheaper cuts of meat which for many years have been the subject of excellent missionary and educational work by the National Live Stock and Meat Board and the American Meat Institute. These cheaper meats are as nutritious as the higher priced ones and they can be made attractive and tasty.

The meat strike has stirred up a good deal of publicity, but few of the news stories have quoted the average stockman. He has neither wanted nor encouraged the present situation. The law of supply and demand have dictated it and nobody has yet figured out a way to change that law.

CONGRESSIONAL REPORT ON FOREST POLICIES

THE congressional committee on pub-lic lands which held hearings last fall on Forest Service and public lands policies submitted a report Aug. 7 which recommends:

"1. That the Forest Act be amended to provide that grazing, recreation and wildlife be made basic uses of national forest lands.

"2. That advisory boards on the national forest be given legal status.

"3. That the present policy of transfer cuts be discontinued and that any cuts that may be necessary be made for protection purposes only.

"4. That the Forest Service undertake a vigorous program of range improvement, including water development, reseeding, fencing and rodent and poisonous weed control.

"5. That the Forest Service undertake a policy that will enable the permittees to participate in and contribute to a greatly extended range improvement program.

The report in summarizing the high points of the hearings says that the committee is "unalterably opposed to overgrazing wherever it is practiced . . . and by reason of their tremendous importance to the nation, is of the unanimous opinion that our national forests should not be sold to private ownership or transferred to the states."

"But practically every witness before our committee agreed that the reasonable utilization of national forest lands by both livestock and big game is wholly compatible with proper and effective conservation of the forest resources.

"Many witnesses felt that much of the present controversy between the Forest Service and the permittees stems from the omission in the basic Forest Act of 1897 of reference to grazing as among the recognized uses of the national forests and does not prescribe any policies for the administration of grazing as a function of the Forest Service . . .

"Many witnesses complained that cuts on transfers of permits were manifestly inequitable. . . . It was contended that if cuts are absolutely necessary they should be made for protection purposes.

"The committee was impressed by the fact that so many people traveled such great distances to appear . . . to express their dissatisfaction over the administration of the forest lands. . . . It was evident that the livestock industry . . . had a distinct feeling of insecurity and instability because of the cuts by the Forest Service." Statistics were given to show a 53.2 per cent decrease between 1918 and 1947 in animal units permitted to graze on the forests.

The report dwells on the point made by many witnesses that if range improvements were made where needed-in cases where there

AUGUST CROP FIGURES

Стор	1948 Acre Yield	Total Production	Average 1937-46
Corn, bu.	41	3,506,363,000	2,813,529,000
Wheat, bu.	18	1,284,323,000	942,623,000
Oats, bu	35.9	1,470,444,000	1,231,814,000
Barley, bu.	25.7	313,139,000	298,811,000
Rye, bu.	12.2	26,664,000	37,398,000
Flaxseed, bu.	9.9	44,528,000	26,756,000
Rice, bu	46.4	79,916,000	60,460,000
All Hay, tons	1.3	97,707,000	97,563,000
Potatoes, bu.	189.2	399,127,000	392,143,000
Sweet Potatoes, bu		51,739,000	64,866,000
Tobacco, lbs	1,158	1,777,783,000	1,664,265,000
Gr. Sorghum, bu.	18.4	131,279,000	99,791,000
Peanuts, lbs.	701	2,340,000,000	1,750,718,000
Soybeans, bu.		205,066,000	134,642,000

are admittedly small open areas overgrazed on allotments-no reductions would be necessary. Writings by L. W. Douglas, a former Forest Service range management officer,

are quoted as follows:

"Too often in the Forest Service administration reductions of permits has been the attempted solution of this problem. I say 'attempted' solution. It has been just that, because as many as 75 to 90 per cent of the cattle might be eliminated from range of this character and localized overgrazing continue. The small grass area of the openings in the timber or aspen will still be used to excess. If this principle is recognized and earnest attempts are put forth by both stockmen and government officers to seek substitutes for reduced permits. much of the dissension that characterized the congressional hearings last sum-

"Basically, the most important way desirable management of cattle can be accomplished is through the construction of physical improvements on the forest range. Most important of these are fences and stock water.

"It may be said that the substitute for reduction of permits on the national forests (lighter stocking), particularly on the cattle range, is money for physical improvements. There never will be range improvements to obviate the necessity for reductions of livestock numbers if reductions are going to continue to be substituted for better management."

Watch These Points When You Ship

HERE are some things that a stockman should pay attention to when he ships this fall, says Calvin L. Blaine, Phoenix, Ariz., in the Montana Stockgrower:

1. Write out order for cars or trucks and keep a copy. Show number and length of cars wanted. In the case of trucks, specify whether truck and trailer or just truck.

2. Order as early as possible.

3. If there is likelihood of need for a trailer car, order one on your car order.

4. Keep a copy of original livestock contract.

5. In loading and unloading, count the animals and have the carrier verify both in and out count, if possible.

6. Show exact number of head loaded in each car or truck on contract. Do not accept contracts with SL&C if it can be avoided.

7. If you order double-deck cars for calves be sure the calves are smail enough to be loaded in a double-decker.

8. If hoof scale weights, either truck or rail, are secured at destination, give carrier's agent at destination a written account of such weights immediately.

9. Tell on livestock contract the amount of hay per car you want fed to your cattle.

10. Notify carriers at destination in writing of shortage of any animals. If an animal dies after unloading, notify carrier's agent in writing of date and time of death and condition of animal which might have contributed to death.

11. If you ship by truck that is a contract carrier you should see that there is full understanding as to the charges to be made and you should inquire whether the person doing the transporting carries insurance on the shipment.

12. In presenting a loss and damage claim, you should support it with (1) original paid freight bill, (2) original live stock contract and (3) copy of account sales or draft covering purchase or sale of the livestock. Loss and damage claims should be filed at the earliest possible date and should meet all the requirements of the carriers in the matter.

Two points the shipper should watch if he wants to stay out of trouble:

1. If more than one carrier is involved in the haul, do not specify a junction point or route your shipment, unless you know that the lowest rates apply on such route. If carrier routes the shipment, the livestock contract should say "carrier's routing."

2. If you want feed, water and rest at a certain point en route do not make specific request for this at some specific point. Make the request in the form

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EARLY-DAY. CATTLE RANGES

By W. J. RICE

IF WE COULD TURN BACK THE ful too. You couldn't see the herd you pages of time a half century or more, the range country would not look as it does today. The ranges were often large in those days. One company claimed nearly a third of the state of South Dakota—20,000 square miles. They did not claim they owned it; they merely allowed their 80,000 head of cattle to roam over it. Many small stockmen were inside the bounds of this area, but there was room for all. Fences were unknown.

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Early in the spring the big company would send wagons out with a dozen men and riders in each outfit, to scout along the boundary lines and run back any of their stock that they could see or hear of into their own territory. By the middle of June all the animals would be gathered and line-riders put out to keep them in bounds. The reservation lines were particularly well guarded, since the government had asked that all stockmen be conscientious about allowing any stock to drift in and graze upon Indian lands, as some of the Indians had cattle of their own.

(The Indians, then forced to occupy the reservations long before allotted to them, were no longer a power upon the plains . . . And of the millions of buffaloes that once had inhabited the plains, only about 10,000 remained. With both Indians and buffaloes gone, a range of millions and millions of acres of rich gramma grasses had been thrown open like an Eden for the range cattle, offering tax-free, rent-free bonanzas to the livestock men. The only drawbacks lay in scant water supplies and possibility of severe winters.)

Order Out of Chaos

Perhaps by the 20th of June the general roundup would begin. One of these I'll never forget. It was two or three days gathering 20,000 head of various brands scattered out over an area of nearly three-quarters of a mile square. There were 120 men and more than 600 saddle horses-five or six to the man. A perfect pandemonium seemed to prevail, with cows and calves bawling, the thud of galloping hooves, cutting cattle, the smell of burning hair, calf branding, the weather hot, dust flying, men shouting, cussing and laughing . . . Yet, work was progressing with the greatest rapidity.

(Every good cow hand had a couple of cutting horses, too valuable to be used for anything else. Broncho-riding has its thrills, but the real horsemanship is displayed in cutting out cattle. And some of the night horses were wonder-

were guarding if it was very dark. The cattle would all be lying down. The horse either saw or scented them-more likely the latter. He never stumbled over them, was always a good rod awav.)

Shipping Changes

At about this same time the completion of the Northern Pacific Railroad through Montana proved a great advantage. Chicago, the big cattle market, could now be reached. The distance often exceeded 1,000 miles, but with transfer yards at Minneapolis where the stock could be unloaded, watered and fed for a dozen hours Chicago was reached with little loss of weight.

At that time, too, England was calling for more beef, on the hoof. The animals were dehorned before shipment from New Jersey in three- and four-decker cattle boats.

Prominent stock growers of the period included the late Theodore Roosevelt, Pierre Wibeaux (the French cattle king), Anthony Day, Henry Griswold, Benjamin Garland and others-whose interests, if combined, would have totaled 1,000,000 head of range cattle. And they were really range cattle; purebreds had not been introduced. Many of these were from Texas - longhorns, bigframed but lanky and without much meat. Nine hundred pounds was a fair average for a three-year-old.

The Texas calf crop, on account of milder climate and good rangeland, ex-



An old drawing of cattle on the way to the railroad. Large herds traveled best when strung out, such herds often con-taining 1,500 or 2,000 head.

ceeded that of any other state. Six dollars a head was the price of Texas yearlings. They were bought by the thousands and driven to the northern ranges. Starting in early April, a herd would reach the northern ranges perhaps in July-over a distance of 900 miles. Ten miles a day was about all they made on such distances.

Two years on the northern range, which meant two cold winters, and these cattle were marketed at an average price of \$27 per head—pretty low if one considers the price of beef today. At that time it was about \$3 per cwt. If the winter was mild the loss was not too bad, but if the winter was cold and the snow was deep, the loss was often frightful; yet it paid, and paid very well.

No Self-Help

Once I heard a stockman say, "Why in thunder a steer can't paw away the snow like a horse is beyond me." "Not brains enough," said someone. "Yes," said the other, "but deer and antelope and mountain sheep all live through the winter with all the snow." Of course the latter browse, but so do cattle. They will browse the bitter sagebrush down to where it is the thickness of a man's finger. But it was not abundant enough and the beasts starved-with all that nutritious grass, now dried and equal to the best of hay, perhaps only two feet



A typical ranch house of the 80's.



This fellow sold out, and the brands on his cattle-old and young alike-are being changed. Note man sitting on heifer's head; this prevents struggling to rise. The fourth man holds the branding iron in this old picture.

below them. Some might ask, "Why didn't you put up the hay; wouldn't it pay?" It was a big job if you undertook to feed many cattle. The small man who owned but 150 head often did it, but it took a world of hay.

One man who solved the hay problem was Butch, a roundup cook. He was a big, red-faced fellow-jolly, yet often seemingly in deep meditation. He quit the roundup early one July, hired a few helpers and went to work. He informed us, "Goin' to put up hay. Try closeherdin' a bunch of yearlin's for Day and Griswold." We thought it odd. Most concerns made no attempt at this. It was the small man who couldn't afford to lose stock that minded closely his little herd.

When Butch was asked later how many head he was going to have, he replied, "Five hundred." "How much hay you got up?" he was then asked, and his answer was "About 500 tons." "Five hundred tons for 500 cattle?" he was asked in amazement. Yes. "Great God's man, you'll need 2,500 and then some." But Butch argued stoutly, "It's got to do them." "Why, man! It will take a ton a month per head or more. Can't be done." But Butch just shook his head. Others said the same thing to him-but he did what he planned. Lived in a tent; had one helper at \$50 a month and board, \$10 more than the common range wage. He contracted at \$3 per head. And how many did he lose? You'll be surprised: Just one lousy critter, none too robust to begin with. When asked how he accomplished it, he said, "Made the devils rustle for it. Had 'em out every day except in blizzards. Leave it to them-sure, they stand around and wait for hay. Save that hay, was my one thought." Then he laughed, re-Then he laughed, remarking, "Yearlin's and us purt-near froze some days."

An Honor System

The most common thing in stock country is strayed stock. This brought about the Montana and Dakota stock grower associations. Everyone joined. The object was to assist one another in various ways. The Montana roundups were timed to meet Dakota roundups, where checkups of stock would be made. We had some of theirs; they, some of ours, etc. Then, too, someone along the Nebraska line would be gathering in fat cattle. Perhaps he would find three good fat ones belonging to a man 150 miles away. What would he do? If it were nearer, he would have sent them there. But as he couldn't do that, he'd ship them to Chicago with his own. There was kept a great register of all brands in the West. The three steers were weighed and a check was sent to the owner, who perhaps had never expected to hear about the animals again.

Another object of the associations was the control of prairie fires. Those hot chinook winds of July dried the grass out like so much hay. I shall not forget the first one. It started on a still, hot day. We failed to get it out until 12 hours later. It took a swath of good rich bunch-grass three miles in width and 16 miles in length. Sand hills and more help from farther away stopped it. Plowed fire-guards 75 feet wide and 60 or 70 miles long did some good. But it often jumped over. A half a cow or steer dragged along the line of fire was the best fire fighter, with someone to follow up and whip out small blazes which tried to start up again. Some used heavy chain drags, but they were hard on horses. Half an animal was best. We took the nearest, regardless of brand.

That was a free life—the ranger's ... one rife with danger too, of stampedes or falling horses. One was never safe, everyone carrying a six-shooter, yet no one getting killed until-strike a town and start buying liquor-well, somebody got hurt. But time has made great changes. Ceaselessly westward came the march of civilization and, though it be lamentable, the picturesqueness has faded for all time and the West that was, is now a part of the East that is.

Livestock Taxes Under Forced Sale

By STEPHEN H. HART and W. D. EMBREE, JR.

EVERY YEAR in some part of the West stockmen are forced, because of drouth, grasshopper damage or other cause, to sell all or a substantial part of their herds. Livestock prices are still high and it will cost the stockmen a great deal of money to purchase replacement stock. It is therefore clearly of great importance that the proceeds which the stockmen have received from the forced sale of their stock are depleted as little as possible by taxes. The stockmen should explore the highways and byways of the federal tax laws and regu-

lations in order to determine whether such tax laws will, in the face of disaster, afford them fair and just relief.

What Does the Law Say?

All stockmen should be familiar with the presently existing law and regulations by virtue of which they are entitled, under certain circumstances, to treat their "breeding herds" as capital assets and therefore obtain the advantages of the capital gains provisions of the federal tax law. All stockmen should know that under these provisions of the

law there is taxable under appropriate circumstances only 50 per cent of the gain from the sale of animals in the "breeding herd," whereas the full gain from the sale of animals not in the breeding herd is fully taxable as ordinary income. Stockmen should also be aware of Section 112(f) of the Internal Revenue Code. This section in brief provides that where a gain results from the involuntary conversion of property such gain may be excluded entirely from taxable income if the taxpayer, within a

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reasonable time thereafter, replaces the property converted by like property at a cost no less than the proceeds from conversion. To date, the commissioner of Internal Revenue has refused to allow stockmen the benefits afforded by this section. This refusal by the commissioner has never been put to test before the courts. However, before going into this question further, we should like to outline briefly the benefits now available to the stockmen under the bureau's interpretations of Section 117(j) regarding capital gains and losses in the event of the sale by a stockman of his "breeding herd."

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By virtue of Income Tax Rulings 3666 and 3712, the bureau has ruled (1) that a stockman's "breeding herd" is the type of property which, when sold, is entitled to the advantages of the capital gains provision of the tax law; and (2) how the stockman shall determine what is his breeding herd" for the purposes of this tax advantage. Prior to these rulings, the bureau had taken the position that the income from the sale of all animals sold from the "breeding herd" was fully axable as ordinary income, on the ground that such animals were inventory held primarily for sale. By virtue of the ef-forts of the National Live Stock Tax Committee (which is supported by the American National and other national and state livestock groups) the bureau was persuaded to the proper view that animals in the "breeding herd" should be treated as capital assets, not as inventory. I. T. 3712 defining the "breeding herd" is somewhat complex, but the essence of it can be illustrated in a simplified example as follows:

"Breeding Herd" Defined

Rancher Smith was forced to sell all of his stock because of the drouth. What part of the proceeds of that sale is entitled to the benefits of the capital gains provisions of the federal tax law, and what part of those proceeds is fully taxable as ordinary income? The answer, generally, is that the portion of the proceeds received by Smith from his "breeding herd" is entitled to the benefits of the capital gains provision, and that portion of the proceeds received from the sale of the remaining cattle is fully taxable as ordinary income. It is therefore incumbent on Rancher Smith to determine with great care what constitutes his "breeding herd." Smith should include in his "breeding herd": (a) all females which normally would be bred during the taxable year; (b) all sires which normally would be used during the taxable year for breeding; (c) all ewe lambs or heifer yearlings held through the winter to be bred the following year; and (d) all heifer calves which Smith can establish as normally retained for replacement of his "breeding herd." He should exclude from the breeding herd," not only all young animals normally held for sale and all old animals unfit for breeding because of age, disease or other reasons, but also those mature animals which, under nor-

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Plenty of Puzzles In Market Situation

By H. W. FRENCH

GRASS CATTLE ARE MOVING TO market in abundance and the recent runs at Kansas City and some of the other markets were the largest of the season. Kansas City had 190 cars of grass-fat steers available in one day, and for the second week of August reported 328 loads against 245 cars the corresponding week a year ago. During this week grass steers declined \$1 to \$2.

At the same time choice grain-fed steers were around 50 cents higher at Chicago. It was a matter of supply and demand and in the weeks ahead the receipts will govern the trend as demand naturally will center on the grades and classes in shortest supply and buyers will do everything they can to make up on the plentiful kinds for what they have to pay on the scarce offerings.

A two-way market is expected to continue the remainder of the year, but if packers are to take losses such as they have been reporting on their beef accounts for over a month they may even attempt to raid prices for the high good and choice beef steers.

Best steers soared to the record top level of January at Chicago by reaching \$41.25 in the face of declining prices for many of the lower grades and some of the other classes, although good cows made a marked recovery around the middle of August.

Long-fed cattle apparently are getting scarcer and now come in the specialty class and should enjoy a market all their own in contrast to a very irregular and declining market for many other less desirable offerings. The situation is very unsettled and the price spread remains wide.

Canada Lifts Export Controls

The Canadian government listed controls on the export of cattle and calves and dressed beef and veal effective Aug. 16. All cattle coming to the United States will be required to meet the usual sanitary regulations of the BAI governing the importation of livestock. The duty on feeder and slaughter cattle and calves, all weights, is 11/2 cents per pound and no quota is in effect. The duty on dressed beef and veal is 3 cents per pound. Effective Aug. 3, export controls on live sheep and lambs and on mutton and lamb carcasses were lifted by Canada. The U.S. duty on live sheep and lambs is \$1.50 per head, and on dressed carcasses is 21/2 cents per pound on mutton and 31/2 cents per pound on lamb.

A recent summary of Canadian markets shows an oversupply of very common, thin trashy cattle and lower prices prevailing. Exports of dairy cattle to the United States through Aug. 5 totaled 62,631 against 29,071 for the same period last year. Trade estimates figure around 100,000 to 150,000 may represent the number of beef cattle and calves eligible for entry into the United States-which is not great enough seriously to influence price levels, Good to choice steers at various markets in Canada have been making \$20 to \$23, and good feeders \$14 to \$16.50. Removal of restrictions on exports may bring about an uplift in cattle prices in Canada as it did on spring lambs.



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Resistance at retail levels, which even included boycotts, naturally is not helping the demand for live cattle but beef eaters will eat beef as long as they have the money to pay for it. The industrial situation to date is not so bad that people are being laid off, so look for a good meat demand in the face of everything.

Many of the feeders and even the producers would welcome a downward trend but they are against any severe reaction. In the case of the feeder, an unreasonable price break will make him shut off the supply and in the case of the producer he may also hold back some of his cattle. Grassers to date have been coming chiefly from Kansas pastures and the plains areas but practically no mountain cattle have moved in Colorado.

The Aug. 1 crop report indicates a corn crop of around 3,500,000 bushels (a record), and production on many other crops is estimated bigger than ever before. Feed supplies for the 1948-49 season promise to be the most liberal per animal in history despite small carryover stocks.

A glance at the slaughter under federal inspection report for July shows a marked decrease in the slaughter of cattle, calves and hogs and some decrease in the slaughter of sheep and lambs. For the first seven months the cattle slaughter is down over 1,500,000 head, calves more than 400,000, hogs nearly 1,000,000 and sheep well over 1,000,000.

Excessive publicity has been given to record prices paid for a few loads of long-fed cattle throughout the country and not enough stress is laid on the great bulk of common and medium kinds and on the grass-fat cows, meat from which usually shows up in the average butcher shop. Meanwhile the cattleman is going along feeding or producing, taking the knocks with the boosts and expecting to come out on top.

During the past month good and choice fed steers rose to the highest levels of the season and equalled the January record time but meanwhile the unpublicized grades were \$1 to \$1.50 lower.

Feeding Data

The 11 Corn Belt states as of Aug. 1 had 12 per cent fewer cattle on feed than a year ago and appeared to be the second smallest on record for that date. The number in the eastern Corn Belt was unchanged as against an 18 per cent decrease in the western Corn Belt.

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Although an abundance of feed is reported from most sections, it is reported that the sugar beet crop in Colorado will be short of a year ago and this means a shortage of beet tops this fall so that if feeding operations are as heavy as anticipated in Colorado more grain will be fed.

Demand for stockers and feeders at most markets has held up well and at Chicago the price tendency was downward. Fleshy cattle get the call everywhere and light thin, common to medium offerings find a limited outlet most of the time, some prospective buyers neglecting this kind so that the spread in replacement cattle is almost as wide as the range for slaughter steers.

Trade reports in Colorado indicate that the Western Slope cattle will be marketed on schedule and not earlier than usual. Grass is substantial and the cattle are gaining very satisfactorily with owners in very good financial condition so that they are not in a hurry to gather their cattle. They are talking high prices for what they have to sell and are not worrying about the agitation for lower prices.

The Hog Market

Hog receipts have been moderate and fluctuations continue to stand out each week although there was not much change for ten days to two weeks at a time. There was a big percentage of sows and a marked decrease in the number of heavy barrows and gilts, resulting in a narrower price spread which should get even narrower for the next month. Increased pork consumption, despite the hot weather, by those fighting the cost of beef probably was partly responsible for the improved live hog market. One day in August pork loins at New York rose \$2 to \$5 and compared with a week earlier were \$5 to \$14 higher-this trend in the face of a lower level for carcass beef.

Lambs

Volunteer wheat is excellent and it appears as though there will be more lambs sent to wheat pastures this season. Already the demand is improving, contracting in the producing areas remains limited though there has been a liberal movement of those purchased earlier. Some of the lower cost cattle also will be placed on wheat pastures.

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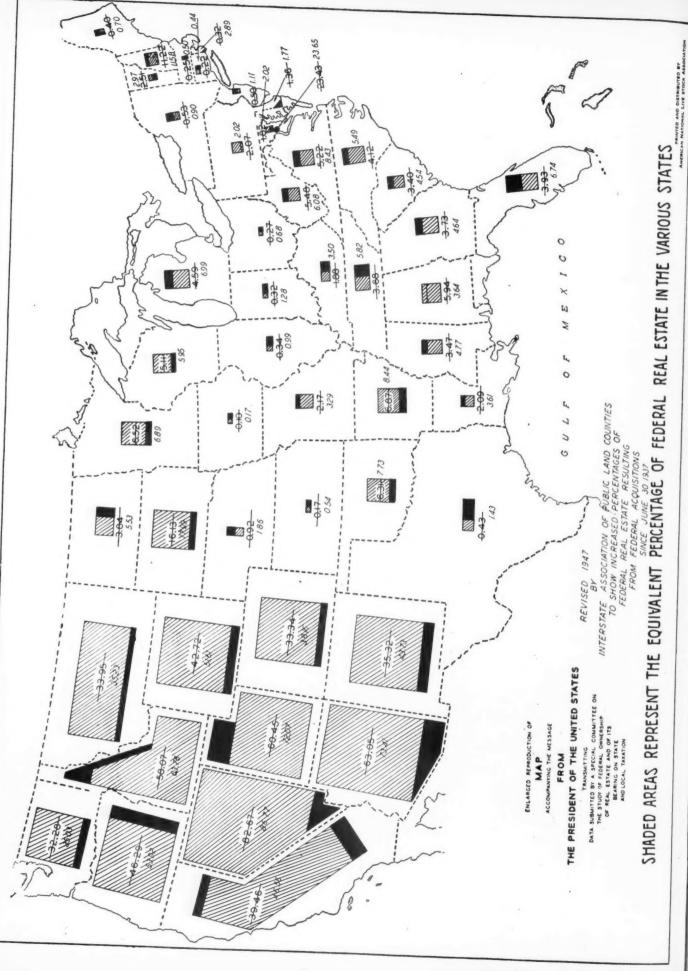
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Association Notes

The Santa Clara County (Calif.) Cattlemen's Association held an election of officers at a July meeting in Gilroy. President Charles O'Connell was renamed to head up the branch organization. M. S. Beckley succeeded Harvey Hansen in the secretarial post, and other new officers are George Thomas, vice-president, and Porter Peabody, treasurer.

T. M. McCall of Crookston, Minn., has been re-elected president of the Red River Valley Livestock Association. Other officers, also re-elected, are: J. H. Sargent, Crookston, vice-president; A. A. Hadebank, Ada, treasurer; O. M. Kiser, Crookston, secretary. The next quarterly meeting of the New Mexico Cattle Growers Association will be held in Albuquerque Sept. 19-20 in conjunction with the state fair. New Mexico stockmen are proud of a new youth building at the fair which they recommended to the state fair commission last year. It is one of the most elaborate buildings of its kind in the West, said G. W. Evans of Magdalena, president of the association.

At Ellensburg, Wash., Alan Rogers, head of the American National's public relations committee, recently had something to say to those who blame cattlemen for events leading up to the buyers' strike against meat in August: With reference to the fact that livestock is currently picking up poundage daily while grass is abundant on the ranges, Mr. Rogers said, "... It is true that ranchers are holding back cattle from

slaughter, but only because they are learning that earlier moves to supply more animals for butchering contributed to the cause of the present condition. The cattlemen sent too many calves to market in the spring in response to government demands that meat for comsumption be increased. The mature meat those calves would soon be providing is not going to appear. The rancher, furthermore, cannot be expected to slaughter parent stock upon which future sale cattle will depend. . . . Cattle on the hoof are the only machines that convert forage crops into meat."

More than 100 cattlemen of Baker County (Florida) met recently to hear Irlo Bronson of Kissimmee, president of the Florida Cattlemen's Association, explain details of the organization and point up the advantages of forming a county association. The group decided later in the meeting to form the Baker County Cattlemen's Association, and elected the following temporary officers: W. M. Barber, chairman, and Neil Kirkland, secretary. A membership committee was also appointed.

At the last directors' meeting of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association in Fort Worth a resolution was adopted asking that "the effort to institute a national, federally controlled Bang's disease compulsory program be discontinued with reference to range livestock until such time as science has definitely ascertained the facts."

The Growing U. S. Land Holdings

The map we publish on the facing page shows, more clearly than anything else that could be presented, that federal ownership of lands is not only a western problem but a nation-wide one. Note the growth, in recent years, in federal acquisition of land as indicated by the blackened portions of the blocks in each state.

Too much federal ownership poses

these very serious problems: (1) Who will pay the taxes in localities where government ownership has encroached?

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I do not know how anyone who travels much can help being impressed with the need for team play in America. As farmers or ranchers, your prosperity depends to a large degree on the ability of workers in industry to purchase the food and fiber you produce. Likewise, city businessmen know that your power to purchase their products is equally important to them. And all of us depend on the men in the mines, in the forests, in the steel mills, and oil fields.

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New Idea in Junior Feeding Projects

by T. W. Thompson State 4-H Club Leader, Montana

Boys and girls are trying out a new kind of livestock feeding project. In several states-including Montana, Nebraska, Colorado and Indiana—people are enthusiastic about it. Here is how it works. The boy or girl buys an average lot of feeder steers or lambs, from a uniform herd or band. The number bought is



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Sanitary Meeting Returns to West

THE United States Livestock Sanitary Association is to meet in Denver this year on Oct. 13-15.

There is significance in this announcement, for it means that an organization whose functions have a vital bearing on livestock health is coming back west for its 52nd convention; it means that the officers of the association have made it right handy for stockmen to come in to the deliberations. In fact, stockmen are particularly invited to attend and a round-table discussion of practical livestock sanitary and disease problems will be an important feature of the meeting. Stockmen are also invited to become members of the association.

In the past most of the meetings of this organization have been held in Chicago. Orignally the association was composed of veterinatians and sanitary workers and livestock producers. But the programs became too technical in nature to be of much interest to the laymen and the producers dropped out one by one and the meetings became largely the affair of professional men. An effort is now being made to muster greater producer interest.

The U.S. Sanitary Association started in the West, emerging from a gathering in Fort Worth, Texas, attended by a handful of stockmen and veterinarians. Texas fever was the big topic of interest then. Stockmen of the North wanted a tick-tight quarantine line against northbound longhorns and stockmen of the South were interested in an open, allyear market in the North which quarantine lines had cut off until "frost was on the pumpkin and the fodder was in the shock." The Texas tick has long been under control, but stockmen are still troubled by a number of sanitary problems, and there is every reason why stockmen should again build up livewire interest in the country's sanitary association.

There will be plenty of discussion on the growing problem of control of Bang's disease in the range country. There will be talks on the footand-mouth eradication program in Mexico, on the eradication of rabies. Rangemen's round-table will take up such subjects as Bang's and practical helps in common diseases. Stockmen as well as veterinarians will sit on this panel.

We mentioned that stockmen could join this association. The dues are \$3 and may be sent to Dr. R. A. Hendershott, secretary-treasurer, U. S. Livestock Sanitary Association, 1 West State St., Trenton 8, N. J. We recommend such a membership.

Tri-State Group Meets in Idaho

GENERAL livestock problems and those particularly pertinent to the Northwest were taken up when the executive committees of the Washington, Idaho and Oregon cattlemen's associations met on Aug. 7 at McCall, Ida. J. H. Nettleton, president of the Idaho organization, served as chairman.

The work of the National Live Stock Tax Committee was explained by R. J. Hawes, a member of the tax group, who led an animated discussion on some of the rulings. Activities of the Public Relations Committee provided the subject of a speech by Alan Rogers, the public relations chairman.

Ray Swanson, former chairman of the American National's committee on disease and brands, urged a definite stand on Bang's disease; he was followed by Dr. A. P. Schneider, Idaho state veterinarian, who contributed additional thoughts on the matter, with a national plan for testing, sources of information, etc. The Washington state veterinarian, Dr. H. F. Beardmore, also entered into the discussion, which was concluded when the stockmen present went on record advocating the vaccination method of controling the disease in range catttle.

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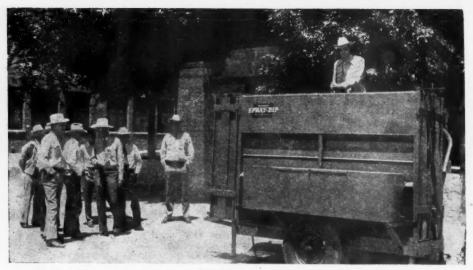
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carried that the Tri-State group favor a national advisory forestry board consisting of members from each state); brands and inspection practices, and freight rates were among other topics given attention. Resolutions formally adopted before adjournment called for support of the public relations work begun last year; range cattle vaccination against Bang's; legislation to control interstate shipment and BAI research on such diseases; unification of interstate shipping regulations among the three states represented at the sessions; the advisory board set-up providing that each member of the national board be a national forest permittee; approval of more controlled burning by the Forest Service; continuation of the work being done by the Western States Brand Conference, and thanks for cooperation from the three state game commissions.

Don Hotchkiss of Burns, Ore., head of the Oregon Cattlemen's Association, extended an invitation to hold the next tri-state meeting in Oregon prior to the American National convention at North Platte. Date and place were to be set at a later date by the Oregon executive committee.

N. M. Protests Bombing Range

MORE than 500 New Mexico citizens representing 116 pioneer state ranch families will be displaced if army plans to make the 3,500,000-acre Alamogordo bombing range a permanent military reservation are approved, declares G. W. Evans, Magdalena, president of the New Mexico Cattle Growers Association. The country also stands to lose 13,500,000 pounds of meat annually. Mr. Evans said that his association is wholeheartedly in favor of all necessary defense measures, "but we do not believe New Mexico should be cut in half because of the whim of some high officials of the

army." He said the army does not contemplate firing a half dozen guided missels a month on the area and yet it demands near exclusive use of the lands.

Floyd W. Lee, San Mateo, president of the New Mexico Wool Growers Association, said that if the proposal goes through it will be a vital blow to the sheep industry. "We believe this proposed extension is just the first step to enlarge this military reservation to split New Mexico in half by cutting a 30-mile strip of land through the center of our state. . . . As speed and range is extended the army will demand additional land in our state."

Testimony presented by the New Mexico Cattle Growers Association at a hearing in the matter in Las Cruces, N. M., was that the organization "endorses all practical and necessary national defense measures. However, we do not approve the needless, wholesale acquisition of lands in New Mexico under the guise of national defense. We believe we have a right to be shown such land acquisition is absolutely essential for defense and not merely the whim of high officials in the army. . . . We believe this huge land acquisition proposal has been determined first to protect the department against claims for damages, second for security reasons and convenience of personnel and third as a measure for protecting citizens in the surrounding area. We do not believe these reasons are sufficient to cause the abandonment of the area as a meat producing center."

Co-use agreements, which the association objects to, provide that producers move their homes from their ranches; keep livestock on the area but care for them only on Saturdays and Sundays; relinquish claims against the government for personal or property damage; cancellation by the government on 30-day notice; building of fences to protect nonuse government sections within ranches without reimbursement; appraisal of property wholly in hands of army.



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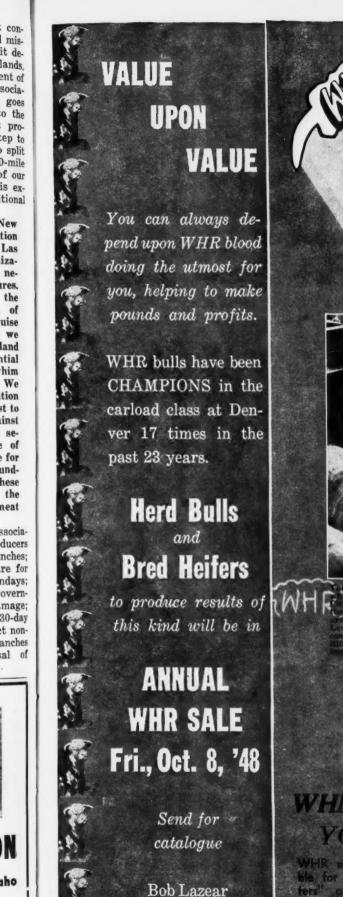
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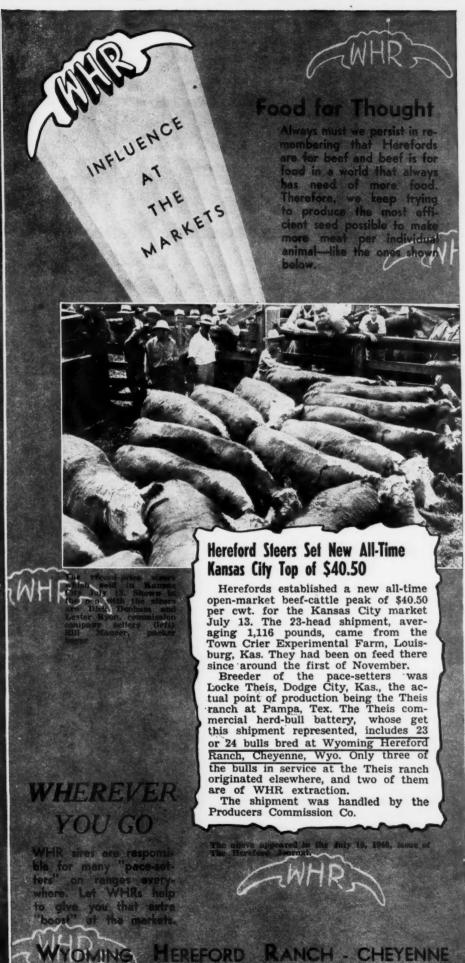
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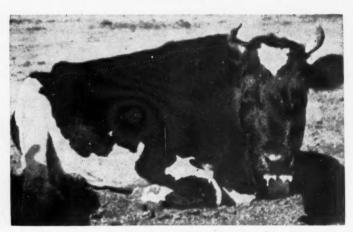


THESE ARE FOOT-AND-MOUTH SYMPTOMS

Prompt discovery, says the BAI, is the basis of quick eradication in foot-and-mouth outbreaks. Expert veterinary aid should be called immediately to make positive diagnosis in the event of suspicion. The series of pictures here shown will make possible speedy recognition of some of the outward symptoms (which, it is pointed out, vary somewhat in different animals, in different outbreaks and even in different localities during the same outbreak. However, conditions shown are fairly typical. Included also are rapid loss of flesh and loss of appetite.)



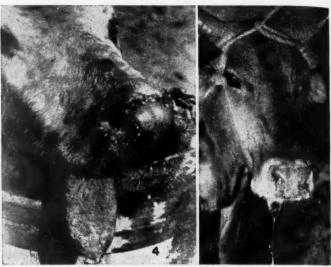
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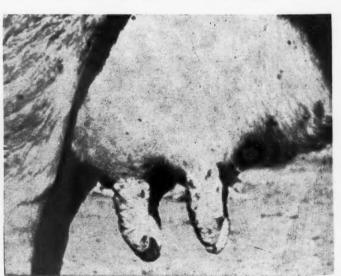
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4. Blisters on tongue, which break and make it painful for animal to eat; lips may also become infected.

5. Ropy saliva dropping from mouth, in cattle.



6. Smacking of lips and accumulations of saliva, in cattle. There is also evidence of pain when animal eats.



7. Blisters and erosions on cows' teats, with rapid drop in milk production.

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F.& M. DATA

A new foot-and-mouth program is expected to be in high gear in Mexico by October, under the direction of Senor Oscar Flores, the Mexican under secretary of agriculture, and General Harry H. Johnson of the USDA. The plans call for complete eradication of the disease in 2½ years, with about 7,500,000 animals in the infected zone to be vaccinated twice and in some cases, if necessary, three or four times. The commission will continue to inspect an area for a total of six months as a safeguard, even after the premises are cleared up and returned to the owners.

Among the problems involved in shifting from a slaughter program to a campaign of vaccination has been that of obtaining vaccine. Starting almost from scratch, the commission intends to put out 400,000 doses a month when the program is at its peak. Senor Flores points out that the setup will be able to deal with any acute outbreak of foot-and-mouth almost at once, slaughtering in the event of an outbreak in a clean zone and vaccinating if it should occur in an infected zone, and "Meanwhile our vaccination program is gaining in momentum and we are definitely making progress toward eradicating aftosa from Mexico."

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In recent months the combined civilian personnel engaged in the campaign against foot-and-mouth disease in Mexico has exceeded 2,000 employees. In July those of the U. S. section numbered 438 and of the Mexican section 235, the remainder being mostly laborers and other unskilled workers employed by the joint commission.

In activities along the Mexican-U. S. border, 230 animals were destroyed in May and 98 in June because of entry from Mexico. The reduction in number of prohibited animals destroyed was largely due to rain in sections of Mexico which provided a better supply of water back from the Rio Grande. Deeper water in the river also tended to prevent animals from crossing.

Secretary Reports On Current Situation

In a letter to the executive committee of the American National on Aug. 20, Executive Secretary F. E. Mollin covered the current status of livestock questions in the news. From this release are taken the following excerpts:

Price Control and Rationing—A leading Republican senator wrote in the early days of the special session, while he indicated that no legislation was likely at

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that session, he warned that if prices maintain their current high levels it might be a different story when the regular session of Congress assembles next January. Since that time, however, the announcement of the tremendous food and feed crop in prospect and the predictions of substantially lower prices for many agricultural commodities gives hope that we have seen the peak of food prices and the Congress will busy itself with other and more

pressing problems next winter.

Meat Boycott—We have been in touch with Omaha and Chicago this week by telephone and are advised that the boycott on meat which started at Dallas, Tex., and has spread almost all across the country seems to be having little, if any, effect. Here in Denver there seems to be some slow-up in purchases at certain markets. Others report business as usual. There is no indication that it will become a serious matter.

Report of House Public Lands Committee - The emphasis placed on the need for developing a vigorous program of range improvement instead of relying almost solely on cuts for protection on national forest ranges seems to me the highlight of the recently adopted report of the Barrett committee, signed by all the members of the full committee in Washington at the time-22 in all. There is no question but that the Forest Service is very vulnerable on this point. The Denver Post this week had a lead editorial, about two-thirds of a page-wide column, commending this report and ending up with the words "It is a good report."

Land Acquisitions and "Lieu of Tax" Payments—During the regular session of Congress the House Committee on Public Lands considered 20 bills calling for lieu-of-tax payments. This is due to the continued acquisitions of land by various agencies of the federal government. Even New York State is pressing for such tax relief because of large purchases made by the federal government of income property. The public land question is no longer merely a problem of the 11 western states. It is a problem of the entire United States.

Canadian Cattle and Sheep—You have doubtless noted in the press that the Canadian government has finally lifted the ban on exports of cattle and sheep or dressed meats to the United States. The terms of the Geneva trade agreement specify quotas which supersede the quotas established in the trade agreements previously negotiated with individual countries. These quotas, however, remain in suspension, as the original quotas were, until the President of the United States proclaims the term-

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ination of the unlimited national emergency proclaimed on May 27, 1941, and further proclaims that "the abnormal situation in respect to cattle and meats has terminated."

Department of Agriculture releases on the subject suggest the bulk of imports will be feeder cattle, but a wire received yesterday from Canada suggests that the exports of slaughter cattle may exceed those of feeder cattle because of requirements for test for T. B. on all such cattle and of tests for Bang's disease of females over six months of age.

Livestock to Eight Principal Corn Belt States-Feeder cattle and calves shipped to the eight principal Corn Belt states, both from the markets and direct during July, total 138,301, compared with 156,649 a year ago. For the six months January to June inclusive the shipments this year were 548,075 compared with 765,041 last year. The huge corn crop should stimulate the demand for feeder cattle but there may be a little temporary slowing up until it is seen in what volume cattle are coming from Canada and whether this has any substantial effect on the price in our markets.

The government report on cattle on feed Aug. 1 shows a 12 per cent smaller number than on Aug. 1, 1947.

Livestock and Meat Facts (Revised)-Livestock and Meat Facts (Revised) brings up to date statistical information relative to the livestock and meat industry. The government figures are revised each year with revisions made sometimes for previous years so that previous figures are now out of date.

Public Relations Committee - The committee will hold a meeting in Denver on Sept. 17 and 18 to plan its future activities.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

FROM PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

The livestock industry is receiving, on the whole, very favorable treatment in the metropolitan press. Some charges have been made by retail meat dealer associations that stockmen are profiteering, and advocating the raising of sanitary embargoes. Newspapers, however, are not critical of the producers and have done much to explain the underlying causes of present high meat prices.

An editorial in the Saturday Evening Post of Aug. 21 comments upon the fact that while consumers are complaining of high meat prices, there is at the present time 35 per cent more meat being consumed in the United States than at any time in history and consumers still have enough money left over to keep the baseball parks, horse racing and other recreational activities going full blast. The editorial states that food price increases have not kept up with wage increases.



"I'm just trying to acquaint myself with the cattle business," writes the bride of a rancher. And believe me, this lady is going about it seriously!

"Immunization was one of my fields of interest as a public health nurse," she says. "If your illustrations (about Alhydrox) are true, then I think we need to investigate the vaccines we've been using. It's nearly vaccinating time for us here, so kindly send me whatever information you have."

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The Chicago advertising agency which handles the national advertising of the American Meat Institute used the livestock producer as the theme of its advertisements in national publications in Mar. 23, 1948 and Apr. 27, 1948, taking space in the metropolitan press amounting to 4 columns by 187 lines, which is an ad of considerable size. This agency advises that they will also use the same theme in the Fred Waring radio show which is nationally broadcast over NBC Tuesday and Thursday mornings.

It is the opinion of many well informed men identified with the marketing of livestock that pressure will be exerted in 1949 for a return of some sort of price control so that some publicity work will be necessary in order to convince the public that such controls will not increase meat supplies. A. A. Smith, president of the American National Live Stock Association, issued a very timely statement to this effect during the month of August which was widely printed in the nation's press and which received favorable editorial comment in a great many sections of the country.

The Public Relations Committee again would like to emphasize the importance of receiving clippings from members of state associations so that the general attitude of the local press may be known. While we subscribe to a clipping service, this agency supplies items from the metropolitan press only.

A Feeder Speaks

By F. W. HINKHOUSE, President, Iowa Beef Breeders Association

There is a distinction between the Corn Belt cattle feeder and the beef producer. The Corn Belt cattle feeder expects to make the major portion of his gains by the feeding of corn; the beef producer makes his gains out of whatever feed is available. Probably the best way to illustrate this point is to cite our operations over in Cedar County. In 1941 we produced about 288,000 pounds of beef; that is, the selling weight of our cattle was increased 288,000 pounds over the buying weight of these same cattle. This is the equivalent of about 700 calves weighing 400 pounds each. The increase in weight was brought about largely by the use of corn, although we consistently have been large users of roughages in our operations. In 1948, given a normal season from now until Oct. 19, we probably shall produce 200,-000 pounds and possibly up to 235,000 of beef-the equivalent of 500 or more 400-pound calves. The gains in 1948 will have been made without the use of a single ear of corn. The explanation is this: the wintering ration consisted of about 11/2 pounds of oats, 1/2 to 1 pound of cottonseed meal, plus a generous feeding of hay. In mid-April the animals were put on good pastures and there they will stay until early October.

It has been my experience to observe a very different type of cattle feeding which I should like to describe briefly. These operations are carried on in what is known as the Big Hole Country of Montana. The Big Hole is located northwest of the Yellowstone Park adjacent to the Bitter Root Mountains and near the Continental Divide. It is about 75 miles long by perhaps 25 or 30 miles wide. As I remember, the elevation is about 7,000 feet above sea level. The nearest railroad is about 75 miles distant. An exceedingly nutritious hay is grown here and the only practical market for it is through cattle. The practice for years was to bring in aged steers in the fall and winter them on this wonderful hay. The hay was very carefully fed in bunks in large corrals. As I remember it, the feeders expected their cattle to gain around 2 pounds per day. I saw steers there in the spring of 1942 fat enough to go direct to the killers and in my judgment to grade high good in the beef. Our purchases averaged 1,261 pounds per head.

Cattle feeding in the Corn Belt may range from a very conservative type of operation to a highly speculative venture and there are many various degrees between these two extremes. To my mind the buying of a heavy, fleshy grass steer, expecting to market him after 30 to 60 days on a corn ration, is the height of speculation. The operator hopes to make his profit by an increase in the price of the initial weight without adding any

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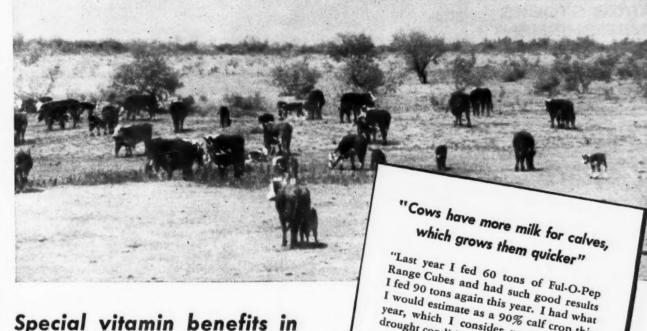
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great number of pounds of beef. At the other end of the swing of the pendulum is the operator who raises all of his feed and buys a light animal expecting to market him when his feed supply is exhausted. In between these two extremes is room for a very great variety

of operations in the cattle feeding game. It would seem good judgment to appraise carefully the amount and kind of feed available and then adopt a program suitable to these conditions and follow that program continuously. Put in a drove of cattle each season as you plant a crop

of corn each spring.

All of these various types of operations are very potent factors in the conserving of our soil. Even though there be little visible cash profit derived from any given year's operations in the cattle feeding business, still there is a certain benefit derived from the increased fertility of the soil. By the use of lime to assist in the growing of legumes, by the feeding of all feeds grown on the farm to livestock and by the judicious use of the by-products of this feeding, the producing ability of a farm may be very noticeably increased.

Furthermore, for areas similar to those existing in Iowa, a wisely planned feeding program lends itself to good farm management. First, it provides year-round employment for the available labor; second, it creates a market for all classes of feeds grown on the farm, (in reality it converts many types of feed into edible human food).

Here are a few figures which may be informative. In 1941-42 pasture and hay contributed 51 per cent of all feed units utilized by livestock in the United States. Pasture alone furnished more than one-third. Corn furnished 24 per cent; other grains 10 per cent; other forage feeds and supplements the remaining 15 per cent. In reality the Corn Belt cattle feeder conducts a manufacturing plant. I like to think of his operations in that way. However, his operations are subject to widely varying conditions over some of which he has no control. My thought may be illustrated by comparing the producing of beef to the making of concrete. For the sake of the illustration consider the animal's body to represent the mechanical mixer. In the production of concrete, to a given amount of cement you add a certain amount of crushed rock and sand and the required amount of water. Out of this process comes an amount of concrete in direct relation to the amount of raw materials supplied. In the production of beef, as practiced by the Corn Belt cattle feeder, you supply certain feeds, water and shelter-but your results may vary widely. (This statement does not apply so much to the operations here at our experiment station where the check lot is usually fed shelled corn, linseed meal, plus a roughage; but it certainly does apply on the average farm.)

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The variation in gains referred to may be caused by a variety of conditions. I shall mention only three. First, the inherent characteristics of the animal; second, the condition the animal was in at the beginning of the feeding period; third, the particular kind of weather encountered during the feeding period.

By the inherent characteristics of the animal, I refer to what is generally termed his natural fleshing qualities. It is a known fact that certain herds of cattle which carry certain lines of breeding possess this quality to a much greater degree than other lines of breeding. It is a very potent factor, one which deserves more attention than is

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usually given it. To those of you who at some time or other have been familiar with horses, it is what we called "easy keeping qualities."

By the condition the animal is in when you start the feeding period, I mean whether he has come from an area where nature has furnished ample feed to grow a good rugged frame and sufficient water properly to supply the animal's needs. Beware of the animal which is thin in flesh because he has not had sufficient water! Another factor which may readily increase or decrease the gains is the type of feed to which the animal has had access before coming to your premises. Experienced operators know that when an animal is moved from one locality to another, it is always best to give him conditions which are better than those to which he had access before the change was made. As an example, if it is your wish to salvage feeds of low nutritional value it is best to use animals which have come from an area where the feed was neither too plentiful nor too nourishing.

Still another factor which may easily cause considerable difference in your gains-the amount of concrete which you will have available—is the particular kind of weather encountered during the feeding period. A prolonged period of cloudy, rainy weather, with the accompanying mud is not conducive to good gains. It is a known fact that animals absorb certain beneficial elements from sunshine. This is particularly true with young animals. For this reason, we think the cattle feeders who operate in the drier climates, similar to those of western Nebraska or Colorado have a decided advantage over those of us who operate where the annual rainfall is 30-40 inches. Weather has a very decided influence on the business of beef production from the time the calf is dropped until the fattening process is completed. In my humble opinion, the production of beef, in all of its various phases, is influenced more by weather than is any other business.

In his address to the annual Wyoming Stock Growers' convention last year, my good friend Oda Mason, who was then president of that organization, made this statement which I wish to repeat for your consideration: "There is no better way for a rancher to go into a depression than to have his mortgage paid and to be in possession of a high-quality herd of young cows." To my fellow Iowa cattle feeders, I wish to say, there is no other class of cattle as safe to handle in a period of falling prices as is a highly bred, good quality set of calves. Give them the feed and care they need and they will work for you 24 hours daily.

I should like to encourage any young man within the sound of my voice, who possesses the so-called "cattle sense" with a smattering of "horse sense" thrown in, not to hesitate to make the production of high-quality beef his life work .- (From a speech delivered at Ames, Ia., in June.-ED.)

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(From Page 13)

mal circumstances, he would have sold in the ordinary course of business. The resulting number of animals remaining after this formula has been applied represents the breeding herd, and gains received on the sale thereof may be treated as capital gains. Profit or loss on the sale of these breeding animals, if Smith is operating on an inventory basis, is the difference between the price received and the value assigned them on the opening inventory. If Smith is operating on the cash basis, it is the full sale price of raised animals and the difference between the price received and

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the cost of animals purchased. As mentioned above, in the case of a profit on the sale of breeding animals held over six months, only 50 per cent of the gain is taxable to a corporation or an individual (although the maximum tax is 25 per cent of the full profit); losses. however, are deductible in full.

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Another tax saving which is open to the stockman is the possibility of taking deductions. Thus, a rancher should be permitted to deduct the expenses to which he has been put in moving his stock out of the drouth area and bring. ing his stock back to the ranch after his land has recovered. In addition, he should be permitted to deduct all reasonable expenses incurred by him in bringing his land back to normal. There is presently before Congress a bill regarding the conservation of soil and water by stockmen. This bill should be of help to stockmen who incur expenses in rehabilitating their drouth stricken lands.

Steer Man Not Protected

Everything written above shows that the capital gains provisions of the federal tax law are of considerable help to the cow and calf man, for instance, whose principal asset is his breeding herd. Even so, of course, he is required to pay some tax and if he is incorporated, the benefits are even less. However, as far as the steer man and feeder are concerned, they do not even have the advantage of the capital gains provisions. Their stock are not capital assets, and any income which they receive from them is taxed as ordinary income. For these reasons, some stockmen are giving serious consideration toward persuading the Bureau of Internal Revenue to grant them the relief provided by Section 112(f). As mentioned above, this section of the code provides in the event that "property (as a result of its destruction in whole or in part, theft or seizure, or an exercise of the power of requisition or condemnation, or the threat of imminence thereof) is compulsorily or involuntarily converted," if certain steps are taken, no taxable gain results, and any loss is recognized. Since it is not always possible to replace immediately the property sold, Section 112(f) provides that the proceeds received from a forced sale may be put in a "replacement fund," until such time as the property can reasonably be replaced. The proceeds should be so earmarked, and can be used only for the purpose of replacing the property sold.

Background

The history of the cattlemen's attempt to obtain the advantages of this provision is briefly this: In 1943, southern Arizona was stricken by severe drouth which required many a cattleman to sell all, or substantially all, of their herd. One cattle company petitioned the commissioner of Internal Revenue to be allowed to apply the provisions of Section 112(f) to its case. The commissioner turned down the request on the ground



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that the phrase, "threat or imminence." qualified only the phrase, "exercise of the power of requisition or condemnaand not the words, "destruction," "theft" or "seizure." Thus, in effect, the commissioner held that, whereas it was involuntary conversion if a man sold property because it was threatened with condemnation, it was not involuntary conversion if a man sold property which was threatened with destruction. The commissioner supported his opinion primarily by a recital of the legislative history of Section 112(f), which, in his opinion, indicated that Congress did not intend to grant the advantages of the section to a man who converted his property because of its threatened destruction. In the commissioner's opinion, that man's property had to be actually destroyed, and he have received compensation from insurance, before he came within the provisions of the section.

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Several times since the commissioner wrote the opinion described above, various members, officers and representatives of the American National Livestock Association have discussed this matter with the bureau. The bureau has remained firm in its position that Section 112(f) is not applicable to a stockman who involuntarily sells his herd because of drouth conditions. The reason for the bureau's remaining adamant is undoubtedly the fear on the bureau's part that it would experience considerable difficulty in administering this section. There is little doubt but that the bureau's work would be increased if it agreed with the contention of the stockmen, for, although claims under this section by drouth-stricken cattlemen would be sizeable, they would be only a fraction of the number of other claims, involving every conceivable type of property, under every conceivable type of threatened destruction. This, however, is no reason why the bureau should not be required to accept these additional burdens. If it is fair to taxpayers to have the relief of this provision extended to cover cases such as drouth, then it is the duty of the bureau to assume whatever additional burdens result.

Certainly, it seems that stockmen should be entitled to the relief afforded by Section 112(f) when they have been forced, through no fault of their own, to dispose of their means of livelihood. In particular is this true of the stockmen who run steers only and of the feeders who do not have the advantages of the capital gains provisions.

Two alternative courses of action are possible, namely, the testing of the question by court action, or the persuading of Congress to revise the law so as to word it in such manner that it would cover the situation that stockmen must so often face.

Summary

In summation, stockmen who, as a result of the drouth, have sold all or a part of their breeding herd, may avail themselves of the tax advantages granted them under the capital gains provisions

of Section 117(j). Steer men and feeders are not entitled to this tax advantage. To date, the bureau has failed to recognize the applicability of Section 112(f) either to the cowman or the steer

man who is forced to sell because of drouth. However, the bureau's postion in this matter has yet to be tested in court. (Holland & Hart, attorneys for National Live Stock Tax Committee.)



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Even though the radio brings the whole world to the loneliest doorstep, I still find an occasional visit to the city exciting and stimulating—if for no other reason than that I bring a whole new store of interest and enthusiasm back to the Ranch House.

Of course, despite the protests this might elicit from the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce, late summer is not the ideal time to be there. But this was such a happy journey that even heat and "smog" could not dampen it for me.

"Could be" that Mother is proud of this year's June graduate, gone ambitiously away to school in the city. Could be!

Along about the first of September, a whole new "younger generation" makes its annual appearance around the Ranch House. For reasons of their own—probably not unconnected with the ranch dogs and the occasional prowling coyote—the old tabby-cats usually raise their kittens in the dense mat of periwinkle vines under the old lilac hedge. Even though we suspect they are there, we rarely catch even a glimpse of the kittens until their mothers are ready to introduce them to us—and us to them, I suppose.

Then follows a sort of formalized pattern that almost never varies in the

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METAL PRODUCTS COMPANY 660 Wolfe St. Fredericksburg. Virginia least. When the old cats begin to drift homeward for their morning pan of warm milk, the kits are brought as far as the stone steps that lead down from the end of the lilac hedge into the garden. There, in plain sight but a safe distance from the kitchen door—and within just a step or two of the familiar sheltering periwinkle thicket—they make their first visual contact with the Ranch House humans. With me, mostly, since as The Giver of the Warm Milk I am the only person to whom the cats pay any particular attention.

Within a few days, their mother transfers them to the wood-shed, within ten or a dozen yards of the feeding pan. And then follows, to me, the most interesting part of the old cat's behavior. Although she has probably been, as most of the ranch cats are, shy and half-wild, she now greets my every trip to the woodshed with purring, enthusiastic welcome. Still not anxious to have me touch her -even secretly half afraid of my very humanness, I suspect-she arches her back against my ankles and even accompanies me out to the clothesline or to the garden to lie dozing-well within view of the wood-shed door-around my feet while I work.

Where I Come In

My own part in the training is highly formalized, too. For the first few days, I must not notice the blue-eyed little pansy faces that peer around the woodshed door, nor touch the occasional surprised one that backs into a corner, small pink mouth open and spitting and tiny tail stiff and bottle-brush big.

Eventually, though, I reach down to touch—just lightly—their little furry heads or to stroke their small backs. But it is not until I have actually picked them up and handled them a little that they appear at the feeding pan. For a time or two they come timidly, after I've gone indoors, and they scurry back to the woodshed every time the kitchen door opens. But the day comes when the, do not even lift their heads from their busy lapping when I bend over them.

And then—only then—their mother drops her pseudo-gentleness and, waving her wild tail and walking by her wild lone, she goes off about her own personal affairs and leaves the rest of her children's upbringing confidently in my hands.

What an uncomplicated thing parenthood is to animals. Perhaps it is harder for humans because, in addition to the natural parental instincts, we bring to it a human capacity for lasting affection for our young that carries over beyond their actual need for us. Not for us the insulating loss of interest in a child as

soon as the next year's young appears!

Though our children are the arrows we launch into life, the human heart is a sensitive bow, filled with pride when the arrow flies straight and true and

that, deflected, fall too soon to earth.

Human parents, I guess, were not meant to walk again "by their wild lone."

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At Home on the Range

I think cooking is fascinating and interesting, but after thirty years of doing it, a great part of the attraction of a trip to the city to me lies in the fact that I'll not have to cook for a few days. I happily sample all sorts of cuisine, mixing Chinese, French, Italian and Hungarian meals indiscriminately, with the result that I usually come home with a lot of new ideas—and a rather severe case of indigestion.

Perhaps because the weather was 50 hot, I rediscovered with a great deal of pleasure this time the European custom of using cheese and crackers and a big plate of luscious fresh fruits for dessert, instead of our own delicious—but heavy—pie a la mode or cake or shortcake.

The "dessert cheeses" like Gruyere used to be imported, and of course there is still an extra fillip to our pride in using the imported ones, probably. But for actual flavor, texture, convenience and cleanliness, American cheesemakers can give us as good—no, better, I believe—products than the ones we import. One American company puts out a round package of six individually-wrapped one ounce portions of Gruyere cheese of as fine flavor, and better texture, than the imported sort. And all six portions for not much more than half a dollar!



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Once, many years ago, I knew a clever old Frenchman who had been a wine merchant in his youth. He told me that the "extra dry" champagnes that sold at a premium in this country did so just because of the clever advertising they received. Actually, "dry" in wines just means "sour" and it was the use of "extra dry" as though it were a superlative—instead of the more truthful "very sour"—that enabled one company to sell vast quantities of their actually toosour champagne to Americans who, believing it was somehow "extra," would have drunk it if it had tasted like bubbly vinegar. Which some of it did, almost.

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So, if you haven't tried some of the American varieties of Swiss, Gruyere and other European cheeses, you're missing a taste treat and a chance to save some money, too.

Here is another of our Bean Contest winners. Remember that we are still paying a dollar for every recipe we publish. Why not send along your best?

PINTO BEANS-OREGON STYLE

By Mrs. L. C. Harrington, Baker, Ore. Soak one quart of pinto beans overnight; put on to cook with a ham bone, I chopped onion (large), I diced green pepper and 2 tablespoons brown sugar. Cook very gently until tender, adding salt and pepper to taste during the last part of the cooking.

This is an old sheepherder's recipe, and until you've tried them this way you will not realize how much the brown sugar, onion and green pepper do for beans

And yet another prize-winning bean recipe—the first we've had from the Producer's own home state. We knew that Colorado ladies knew some mighty tasty ways to cook beans, for we've tasted them, but this is the first that's been sent in. A mighty good one, Mrs. Hulslander, and a fine way to use up those left-overs. And, although I suppose no Producer column should suggest the use of economical meat substitutes, for times when you don't have any fresh meat on hand this does make a very satisfactory "mock meat loaf."

BEAN LOAF COLORADO By Mrs. Ethel Hulslander, Kremmling Colorado

2 cups cooked beans

l large onion

1 cup soft bread crumbs

½ cup milk

2 eggs

1 tablespoon butter

1 teaspoon salt

1 teaspoon sage

Grind the beans and onions through a food chopper. Mix all ingredients and pack firmly in a buttered baking dish. Bake one-half hour in a moderate oven (350 degrees) and serve hot or cold with catsup.

Mrs. Hulslander says, "My mother often served this economical dish to the family and the ranch hands."

We hope you will try it.

These recipes are certainly proving how versatile beans may be—or perhaps just how versatile American women are in concocting appetizing meals from a few easily-transported staples. We've had, as our first prize winner, the very delicious Pink Bean Pies, and this month we are including a fine maincourse dish—Bean Loaf, Colorado. And here is a salad from Wyoming, the chief ingredient of which is . . . guess? Yes, beans. I've just tried it, and it is de-

WYOMING BEAN SALAD

By Mrs. E. C. Stevenson, Moorcroft, Wyo.

1 pint of cold cooked beans

- 1 tablespoon minced onion
- 1 tablespoon minced celery
- 1 tablespoon chopped green pepper

1 tablespoon sugar

1/2 teaspoon mustard, mixed into

½ cup vinegar

1 or 2 tablespoons mayonnaise

Mix all ingredients; let chill for a half hour to blend flavors. This is a wonderful way to use up small amounts of left-over beans. I've tried it with navy beans, pink beans and "butter" beans; the resulting salads taste quite different but are all good.

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A new building in construction at the Clovis (N. M.) fair grounds will be completed in time for the New Mexico Aberdeen - Angus Cattlemen's Association sale to be held there Oct. 11. This is the second year for this event, at which Ray Sims will be the auctioneer and Phil Ljungdahl will judge.

CROOK COUNTY SALE PLANNED

The Crook County (Ore.) Hereford Breeders Association, organized in 1947. is laying plans for its second annual sale, to take place Nov. 16-17 at Prineville. The purebred sale will be held on the 17th, while on the day preceding will be held the first feeder calf sale in the

BEEFMASTER HERD ON EXHIBIT

On Sept. 4-5 at the Mason County Fair Grounds, Mason, Tex., the entire herd of the Lasater Ranch at Fulfurrias will be on exhibition at a "proving party." At the time the herd was established a year ago the ranch predicted that the first calves would average 600 pounds in weight at eight months, in an experiment testing the adaptability of the cattle to conditions beyond their home range.

BRAHMAS AT TEXAS FAIR

The 1948 State Fair of Texas has been selected as the site of the National Brahman Show this year. The fair will run from Oct. 9 through Oct. 24, and dates of the Brahman show will be Oct, 13-22. With breeders from all representative areas expected to participate, those at the most distant points are planning to fly their animals to Dallas, says a recent press release. A number of crossbreed exhibits have also been invited.

Great Western Show Dates

Dates of the Great Western Live Stock Show are Nov. 27 to Dec. 1 at Los Angeles stockyards. Premium lists provide for cash prizes for 4-H clubs, Fu-ture Farmers and open divisions for cattle, hogs and lambs. A feeder cattle show will be held.

NEBRASKA HEREFORD SHOW

Plans are completed for a \$7,500 National Hereford Show to be held at Grand Island, Nebr., Oct. 26-29, inclusive. Sponsort are the city's chamber of commerce, the Nebraska Hereford Association and the American Hereford Association. The event will follow the "R.J." Hereford Royal at Kansas City.

PORTLAND SHOW, OCT. 1-9

Opening of the Pacific International Livestock Exposition will be on schedule, Oct. 1, despite spring flood damage to the pavilion at Portland which necessitated repairs amounting to \$60,000 worth of work.

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GRAND NATIONAL TO INCLUDE BIG FEEDER CATTLE FEATURE

For this year's Grand National Livestock Exposition, Horse Show and Rodeo at San Francisco, Oct. 29-Nov. 7, \$7,225 is being offered in premiums for carloads of 20 feeder calves, carloads of 20 feeder yearlings and pens of five feeder calves. In a recent release, Carl L. Garrison, secretary-manager of the show, points out that in 1947 almost 1,-000,000 cattle were shipped into California to be finished for the market there, demonstrating the importance of the feeder cattle phase of the livestock industry in that state.

Col. A. W. Thompson will be the auctioneer for the Hereford breeding cattle sale at the Grand National, the sale to be held on Wednesday, Nov. 3. Entries on consignments close Sept. 10, and the Herefords will be competing this years for premiums totaling \$15,295.

ADDED PRIZES AT CHICAGO

Recent additions to the premium money for Chicago's International puts prize money to well above the usual \$100,000, show officials announce. Newest of these includes those for open and junior swine classes.

A MAINE HEREFORD BOOSTER

It was a Maine stockman named Hall C. Burleigh who did much to bring Herefords to the fore in this country. In 1868, soon after the War Between the States, he began buying animals of this breed, getting among his first purchases from Canada a young bull which subsequently took many prizes.

In 1877 Mr. Burleigh began selling his cattle in the West and did so well that he soon began to go to England on buying trips. The 1,000 carefully selected animals which he collected on these journeys went to sections of New England, the South and the West.

NEW BRAHMA GROUP

The South Florida Brahman Breeders. Inc., have recently organized with main offices in Bradenton where George C. Young will serve as secretary-treasurer and general manager. All of the members of the group are also members of the American Brahman Breeders Asso-

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A NEW Amarillo, Tex., stockyards is in the process of completion. Location is northeast of the city at the junction of Highways 66 and 136 and spur tracks from the Santa Fe and Rock Island also enter the yard. Imediate capacity is 8,000 cattle with plans to increase this. AS far as the State College of Washington has been able to find, there is no substitute for the mother pig's milk that is as good as the original. The college tried all kinds of synthetic milk but was unable to raise a pig from birth on any of it.

BOTH SIDES OF MEAT STORY

An analysis of pros and cons on the subject of the continued strong demand for meat has been made by the American Meat Institute. Reasons for believing that such demand will continue strong include: wage increases with consequent increases of spendable income; record total savings of individuals; consumer credit which is still substantially less in relation to income then prewar; in. creased expenditures for military serv. ices. On the "no" side: recent consumer resistance to advancing prices on meat; competition offered the meat dollar by similarly advancing rises on other commodities and services such as rents; the fact that physical output of goods is nearing the peacetime record to saturate domestic demand; the lack of foreign exchange which keeps foreign demand down; tightening of bank credit, and the renewed threat of strikes.

THE MYSTERIOUS "X" DISEASE

The mystery cattle malady, "X disease," has aroused the attention of the Bureau of Animal Industry and cooperative surveys are to be made on the disease which has been reported in at least 26 states. It may result from substances in forage or soils. Early symptoms include a watery discharge from eyes and nose, later on appetite failure, loss of condition, depression and thickening of the skin. Small papillary projections often occur on the tongue, cheek and palate and diarrhea is sometimes present in the late stages. Young stock seem to be especially susceptible. Animals die in severe cases and abortion often follows when pregnant cows have it. Mortality to date runs from 4 to 8 per cent.

NEW 4-H CATTLE FEEDING PLAN

A September Swift & Company ad gives space to a new idea in junior feeding projects, described by T. W. Thompson, state 4-H club leader of Montana. Under the plan, a boy or girl buys an average lot of 3 or more feeder steers or 15 or more lambs from a uniform herd or band. The animals are bought at a central market, taken home and fattened-with records kept of feed costs and rates of gain. At the end of the feeding period they go back to market, to be sold on junior marketing day. The youngster consigns the animals to a commission firm of his own choice, and the animals are penned separately; then they are graded and weighed and sold for slaughter in the usual way. The system teaches the young stockmen in a practical manner about feeding for market.

Imports of Purebreds

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When the American Meat Institute holds its 43rd annual meeting in New York, Sept. 20, a number of men prominent in American National affairs will have an important place on the speakers' program. Among those speakers will be President A. A. Smith, of Sterling, Colo.; Alan Rogers of Ellensburg, Wash, chairman of the National's public relations committee; Albert K. Mitchell of Albert, N. M., a past president, and Jay Taylor of Amarillo, Tex., former president of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association.

J. Sherman Guttridge, Prairie City, Ore., a past president of the Oregon Cattlemen's Association, is now affiliated in a promotional capacity with the Western Livestock Journal.

A recent Look magazine contains some fine pictures of horses on the Joyce Ranch in Idaho's Owyhee County.

Herb J. Barr of Leoti, Kan., president of the Kansas Livestock Association, has been named recently to head also the Western Kansas Development Association, organized two years ago. The subject is covered in a Sunday magazine section article of the Denver Post, Aug. 22.

August visitors in Denver included Mr. and Mrs. Boler Rucker of Red Bluff, Calif., who were making a tour of leading Quarter Horse breeders and looking over the cattle of the region.

The Blessum Hereford Ranch (formerly Schultz Hereford Ranch) near Towner, N. D., has been sold to Clarence Follman of York, N. D.

Plans for the celebration of the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Fred H. Bixby at their Rancho Los Alamitos near Long Beach, Calif., included a large "fiesta" for friends, family and employees on Aug. 29. Mr. Bixby, who has lived on the ranch since he was 18 months old, is a past president of the American National and of the California Cattle Association.

The Santa Gertrudis breed of cattle, perfected on the King Ranch in Texas, has been added by the Cuban government to the list of cattle breeds permitted to enter the country duty-free for breeding purposes. The action was taken in line with a program calling for enlargement and improvement of Cuba's cattle industry.

Ted Aegerter of Seward, Nebr., has joined the staff of the American Shorthorn Breeders Association field representatives. His headquarters will be in Seward and he will represent the central and extreme western sections of the country for the association.

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Joe B. Matthews of Albany, Tex., a second vice-president of the American National, paid a short visit to the Denver offices a week ago. He and Mrs. Matthews have been spending the summer at Boulder. Colo.

E. M. Percy and son Carl of Weyanoka, La., liked Colorado well enough last year to pay a repeat visit, including a call at the association offices between ranch tours in the area.



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FOR the first time, Florida cattle have been shipped west in large numbers to stock pastures in Texas, Oklahoma and Colorado.

Letter from Skull Creek

DEAR EDITOR:

This Skull creek ranch never sells any hay unless we have to help out a neighbor who happens to run short for some unexpected cause so we don't have to do a lot of baling after we get the hay up. I mean when we get it in the stacks we are through with it until we start feeding. It is nearly the first of September and we will be all through by then.

I don't like to write about that obnoxious sheriff all the time but if it wasn't for him life would get rather dull at times over here. He made an unexpected call to this ranch last Monday and he was sure chewing that walrus mustache of his'n. He had a long talk with the old man but finally left after poking around under the old bunk house floor. The boss said there were two live skunks found in the jail house last Sunday morning and that those 2 shunks were immune to D.D.T. and clordane spray, but the volunteer fire department finally flushed them down the drain, that is flushed all but the scent. A small packing box was found in the alley near by that had Skull creek ranch stenciled on it. How ever that was only circumstantial evidence but men have been hung on that or at least got 99 years. He says the sheriff has sent for an investigator and also had a warrant filled out charging John Doe with ever thing in the book excepting treason and adultry and that he hoped to serve it on the party pretty soon. Well the skunks are gone from under the old bunk house and I saw a certain party making a box trap and it wasn't John Doe but we will let the FBI find out if they can. If I was the sheriff I would hire an ex GI and mark off a sentry path around that jail house, but I don't suppose the sheriff is as brainy as I am.

Well the boss is talking about selling out this outfit, lock, stock and barrel, including the brand. Says he homesteaded here as a young man with only a saddle horse and a rope but with lots of ambition and some intelligence about 50 years ago and in those years has built up a small empire, as it were, says he has a half step brother-in-law who lives in a sunny valley down in southern New Mexico and due to failing health brought on mostly by old age is thinking seriously about spending his last few years down there. Says it looks like the deal is going through but he won't tell us who he is dickering with as yet. He also says we all will have our same jobs and the Skull creek ranch will go right along in its usual normal way, as it does at times.

Will write you all about it if it happens, and most any thing can hap-Yours truly, pen over here.

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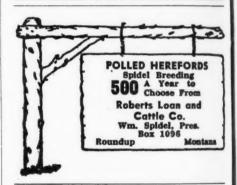
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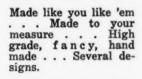
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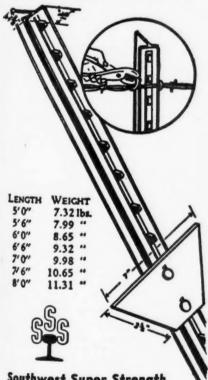


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The Outlook

Price trends—down for crops, up for livestocks and products—are likely to continue for a few months. Consumer demand for the latter is exceptionally strong and supplies are smaller than last year. Record production in prospect will press downward on crop prices.

Meat supplies will hit their low point for the year late this summer or early in the fall. Retail meat prices generally are expected to continue up.

Bumper feed crops will not increase meat production for some time. Marketings of some cattle and hogs are likely to be delayed for extra fattening on the new crops. Main effect will be felt in late 1949 when next year's spring crop is marketed. Sharp increases in this crop are likely if corn harvest is as large as estimated.—These paragraphs from BAE outlook.

French (p. 13) says packers have reported losses on beef for over a month. Note the report of an irregular and declining market for many cattle below the long-fed class which should enjoy a market all its own.

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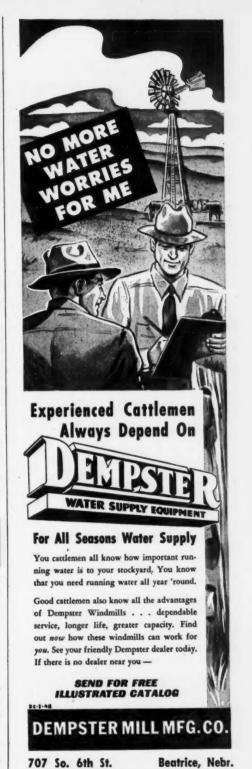
Fred W. Smyth: At the age of 52, of a heart ailment. A native of Harney County, Oregon, Mr. Smyth until about four years ago owned and operated a large cattle ranch. His passing will recall that his father and a brother were killed by Indians in an uprising in Happy Valley many years ago.

C. Brumley: Cattle buyer of Perkins County in South Dakota. He was 47 years old. His parents were among the earliest white settlers in the section.

Alfred J. Johnson: Of pneumonia, at 68. Mr. Johnson had been a leading rancher of Oregon's Silver Creek section since 1882.

Preston K. Breckenridge: At 52 after a short illness. President of the Teton County Cattlemen's Association; prominent Hereford breeder in partnership with his foster father, Fred Hunter, and two brothers. Born at Tetonia. World War I veteran.

Frank Horton: In late August at Saddlestring, Wyo., with burial at Buffalo. A former U. S. congressman from his state, he was a member of the American National and an executive committeeman of the Wyoming Stock Growers Association.



CALIFORNIA: Robert Garbani; S. B. Sumner; Dr. M. D. Weaver.

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CALENDAR

Sept. 19-20—Third quarterly meeting, New Mex-leo Cattle Growers, at Albuquerque.
Oct. 1-9—Pacific International Live Stock Expo-sition, Portland, Ore.
Oct. 9—Range improvement field day at South-ern Plains Experiment Range northwest of Ft.

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Nov. 13—Idaho Cattlemen's 10th annual Hereford sale, Pocatello.
Nov. 27-Dec. 4—International Live Stock Show, Chicago.

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Jan. 11-13—American National Live Stock Association Convention, North Platte, Neb. Jan. 14-22—National Western Stock Show, Den-

LIVESTOCK AT STOCKYARDS

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	1948	1947	1948	1947
RECEIPTS-	Ju	ly	Jan.	-July
Cattle	1,380	1,805	9,648	11,937
Calves	507	636	3,355	3,903
Hogs	2,022	2,208	17,899	16,855
Sheep, Lambs	1,409	1,677	9,534	11,248
STOCKER AND	FEEDER	SHIPME	NTS-	
Cattle	256	300	1,578	1,865
Calves	41	51	340	308
Hogs	48	43	343	349
Sheep, Lambs	160	233	1,101	1,423
SLAUGHTERED	UNDER	FEDERAL	INSPE	CTION-
Cattle	1,046	1,274	7,205	8,721
Calves	577	656	3,919	4,338
Hogs	3,044	3,455	26,727	27,702
Sheep, Lambs	1,195	1,280	8,210	9,336

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COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS

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	(211	Aug. 1 1948	July 1 1948	Aug. 1 1947	Aug.1
Frozen	Beef				Avg.
Cured	Beef	10,300	9,976		
Total	Pork	512,036	582,496	331,746	432 490
Lamb,	mutton	0,111	7,999	8,085	10,881
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Porl	Fat	170,383	181,327	193,736	180 00
Total	Poultry	91,410	99,507	174,627	127 434

WHOLESALE DRESSED MEAT

(New York)

Aug. 18,1948	Aug.18,1947
Steer & Heifer-Ch\$50.00-52.00	\$58.50-60.50
Steer & Heifer-Gd 48.00-50.00	56.50-59.00
Cow—Commercial 26.00-33.00	36.00-41.00
VealChoice 32.00-38.00	47.00-52.00
Veal-Good 27.00-35.00	45.00-49.00
Lamb—Choice 43.00-49.00	50.00-56.00
Lamb-Good 42.00-48.00	48.00-53.00
Ewe-Commercial 17.00-20.00	20.00-23.00
Pork Loin, 8-12 lb 60.00-62.00	68.00-71.00

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Steers-Choice	37.75-41.25	\$28.50-34.21
Steers-Good	31.50-38.00	23.50-31.7
Steers-Medium	24.25-32.50	16.00-25.00
Vealers-Good-Choice	27.00-30.00	22.00-24.00
Calves-Good-Choice	24.00-28.00	15.00-19.00
F.&S. Steers-GdCh.	25.50-31.50	19.00-25.00
F.&S. Strs CmMd.	20.00-25.50	15.00-20.00
Hogs-(200-240 lbs.)	29.00-29.75	26.75-27.1
Lambs-Good-Choice	26.50-27.00	24.00-24.1
Ewes-GdCh., Shrn.	11.75-12.50	9.25-10.0

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